SENATE BILL NO. 262

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SCHATZ.

1143S.01I ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal section 142.803, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the taxation of motor fuel, with a referendum clause.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 142.803, RSMo, is repealed and one new

- 2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 142.803,
- 3 to read as follows:

142.803. 1. A tax is levied and imposed on all motor

- 2 fuel used or consumed in this state as follows:
- 3 (1) Motor fuel, seventeen cents per gallon until
- 4 December 31, 2021; nineteen cents beginning January 1, 2022,
- and ending December 31, 2022; twenty-one cents beginning
- 6 January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2023; twenty-three
- 7 cents beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31,
- 8 2024; twenty-five cents beginning January 1, 2025, and
- 9 ending December 31, 2025; and twenty-seven cents beginning
- 10 January 1, 2026;
- 11 (2) Alternative fuels, not subject to the decal fees
- 12 as provided in section 142.869, with a power potential
- 13 equivalent of motor fuel. In the event alternative fuel,
- 14 which is not commonly sold or measured by the gallon, is
- 15 used in motor vehicles on the highways of this state, the
- 16 director is authorized to assess and collect a tax upon such
- 17 alternative fuel measured by the nearest power potential
- 18 equivalent to that of one gallon of regular grade gasoline.

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The determination by the director of the power potential equivalent of such alternative fuel shall be prima facie correct;

- 22 (3) Aviation fuel used in propelling aircraft with 23 reciprocating engines, nine cents per gallon as levied and 24 imposed by section 155.080 to be collected as required under 25 this chapter;
- 26 Compressed natural gas fuel, five cents per gasoline gallon equivalent until December 31, 2019, eleven 27 28 cents per gasoline gallon equivalent from January 1, 2020, until December 31, 2024, and then seventeen cents per 29 gasoline gallon equivalent thereafter. The gasoline gallon 30 equivalent and method of sale for compressed natural gas 31 shall be as published by the National Institute of Standards 32 and Technology in Handbooks 44 and 130, and supplements 33 thereto or revisions thereof. In the absence of such 34 standard or agreement, the gasoline gallon equivalent and 35 36 method of sale for compressed natural gas shall be equal to 37 five and sixty-six-hundredths pounds of compressed natural All applicable provisions contained in this chapter 38 governing administration, collections, and enforcement of 39 the state motor fuel tax shall apply to the tax imposed on 40 compressed natural gas, including but not limited to 41 42 licensing, reporting, penalties, and interest;
- (5) Liquefied natural gas fuel, five cents per diesel 43 gallon equivalent until December 31, 2019, eleven cents per 44 diesel gallon equivalent from January 1, 2020, until 45 December 31, 2024, and then seventeen cents per diesel 46 gallon equivalent thereafter. The diesel gallon equivalent 47 and method of sale for liquefied natural gas shall be as 48 published by the National Institute of Standards and 49 Technology in Handbooks 44 and 130, and supplements thereto 50

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51 or revisions thereof. In the absence of such standard or

- 52 agreement, the diesel gallon equivalent and method of sale
- 53 for liquefied natural gas shall be equal to six and six-
- 54 hundredths pounds of liquefied natural gas. All applicable
- 55 provisions contained in this chapter governing
- 56 administration, collections, and enforcement of the state
- 57 motor fuel tax shall apply to the tax imposed on liquefied
- 58 natural gas, including but not limited to licensing,
- 59 reporting, penalties, and interest;
- 60 (6) Propane gas fuel, five cents per gallon until
- 61 December 31, 2019, eleven cents per gallon from January 1,
- 62 2020, until December 31, 2024, and then seventeen cents per
- 63 gallon thereafter. All applicable provisions contained in
- 64 this chapter governing administration, collection, and
- 65 enforcement of the state motor fuel tax shall apply to the
- 66 tax imposed on propane gas including, but not limited to,
- 67 licensing, reporting, penalties, and interest;
- (7) If a natural gas, compressed natural gas,
- 69 liquefied natural gas, electric, or propane connection is
- 70 used for fueling motor vehicles and for another use, such as
- 71 heating, the tax imposed by this section shall apply to the
- 72 entire amount of natural gas, compressed natural gas,
- 73 liquefied natural gas, electricity, or propane used unless
- 74 an approved separate metering and accounting system is in
- 75 place.
- 76 2. All taxes, surcharges and fees are imposed upon the
- 77 ultimate consumer, but are to be precollected as described
- 78 in this chapter, for the facility and convenience of the
- 79 consumer. The levy and assessment on other persons as
- 80 specified in this chapter shall be as agents of this state
- 81 for the precollection of the tax.

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Section B. This act is hereby submitted to the 2 qualified voters of this state for approval or rejection at an election which is hereby ordered and which shall be held 3 and conducted on Tuesday next following the first Monday in 4 5 November, 2022, pursuant to the laws and constitutional 6 provisions of this state for the submission of referendum measures by the general assembly, and this act shall become 7 effective when approved by a majority of the votes cast 8 9 thereon at such election and not otherwise.

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